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Applicant : Hugh R. Sharkey et al.                      Art Unit : 3739  
Serial No. : 09/664,473                                      Examiner : David M. Shay  
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Title : IN VIVO FORMED THERMALLY CONTRACTED COLLAGEN TISSUE

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the action dated March 28, 2003, finally rejecting claims 57-66.

A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to extend the time to respond to the final rejection for 3 month(s) to and including September 28, 2003 is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$320 for the appeal fee is enclosed. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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